

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

Implantable devices are provided useful for creating fusion particularly in intervertebral spinal fusion. The device is formed of any rigid biocompatible material and has a body portion with an attached ligament extending from the body portion. The ligament can extend upwardly from the body portion and downwardly from the body portion, and is made from a flexible material. In one application, the body portion is inserted into a disc space and the flexible ligament is secured to vertebrae on either side of the disc space.